



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
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In Re:      P. Venkat Rangan et al.  
Case:      P3901C2  
Serial No.:    10/619,375  
Filed:      07/11/2003  
Subject:      Method and Apparatus for Providing and Maintaining a User-Interactive  
Portal System Accessible via Internet or other Switched-Packet-Network

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Dear Sir:

**Response A**